

Q1 [14pts]

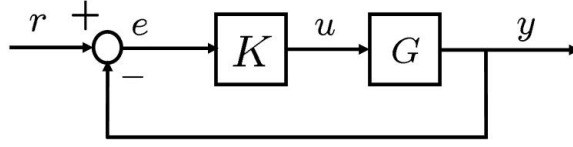


Figure 1: A feedback interconnection

Consider the feedback interconnection shown in Figure 1 where  $G$  and  $K$  are proper transfer functions. Here it is assumed that a transfer function is of the form  $\frac{n(s)}{d(s)}$  where  $n$  and  $d$  are polynomials in  $s$  with no common factors. For the following questions answer if the statement is true or false. If true provide an example and if false provide a proof.

1. [7pts] There exist single-input, single-output proper transfer functions  $G$  and  $K$  such that  $\frac{1}{1+GK}$  and  $\frac{G}{1+GK}$  are stable but  $\frac{K}{1+GK}$  is not.

**Solution:** Let  $G = \frac{s-1}{(s+1)^2}$  and  $K = \frac{s+1}{s-1}$ . Here  $\frac{1}{1+GK} = \frac{s+1}{s+2}$ ,  $\frac{G}{1+GK} = \frac{s-1}{(s+1)(s+2)}$  are stable but  $\frac{K}{1+GK} = \frac{(s+1)^2}{(s-1)(s+2)}$  is not.

2. [7pts] There exist single-input, single-output proper transfer functions  $G$  and  $K$  such that  $\frac{K}{1+GK}$  and  $\frac{G}{1+GK}$  are stable but  $\frac{1}{1+GK}$  is not.

**Solution:** Suppose  $G = \frac{n_g(s)}{d_g(s)}$  and  $K = \frac{n_k(s)}{d_k(s)}$  where  $n_g$ ,  $d_g$ ,  $n_k$  and  $d_k$  are polynomials in  $s$ . Then it follows that

- $\frac{1}{1+GK} = \frac{d_g d_k}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ ,
- $\frac{G}{1+GK} = \frac{n_g d_k}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ ,
- $\frac{K}{1+GK} = \frac{n_k d_g}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ ,

$\frac{1}{1+GK} = \frac{d_g d_k}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ , unstable implies that there is a  $s_0$  in the right half plane (rhp) that  $(n_g n_k + d_g d_k)(s_0) = 0$ . Given that  $\frac{G}{1+GK} = \frac{n_g d_k}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ , and  $\frac{K}{1+GK} = \frac{n_k d_g}{n_g n_k + d_g d_k}$ , are stable it follows that

$$(n_g d_k)(s_0) = (n_k d_g)(s_0) = 0.$$

As  $(n_g d_k)(s_0) = 0$  there are two cases

**Case 1:** Suppose  $n_g(s_0) = 0$

Then  $d_g(s_0) \neq 0$  and thus from  $(n_k d_g)(s_0) = 0$ ,  $n_k(s_0) = 0$ . Thus  $d_k(s_0) \neq 0$ . Thus

$$n_g(s_0)n_k(s_0) + d_g(s_0)d_k(s_0) = d_g(s_0)d_k(s_0) \neq 0$$

which is a contradiction.

**Case 2:** Suppose  $d_k(s_0) = 0$ .

Then  $n_k(s_0) \neq 0$ . Thus from  $(n_k d_g)(s_0) = 0$ ,  $d_g(s_0) = 0$ . Thus  $n_g(s_0) \neq 0$  and thus

$$n_g(s_0)n_k(s_0) + d_g(s_0)d_k(s_0) = n_g(s_0)n_k(s_0) \neq 0$$

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Q2 [15pts]

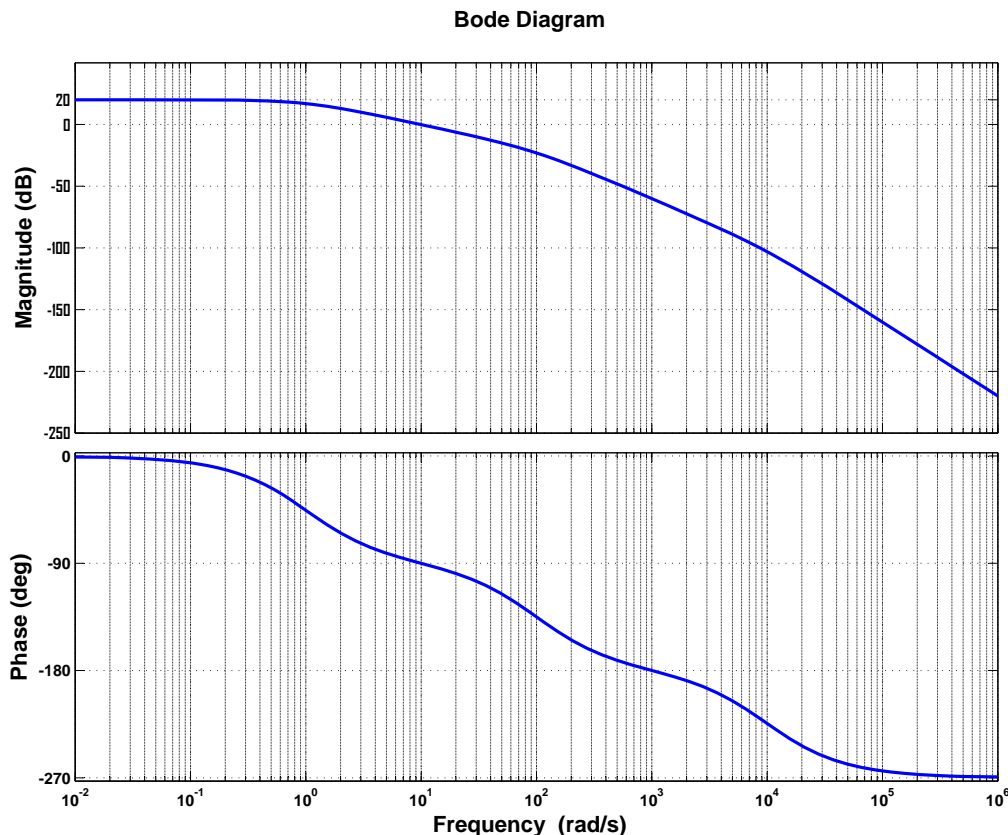
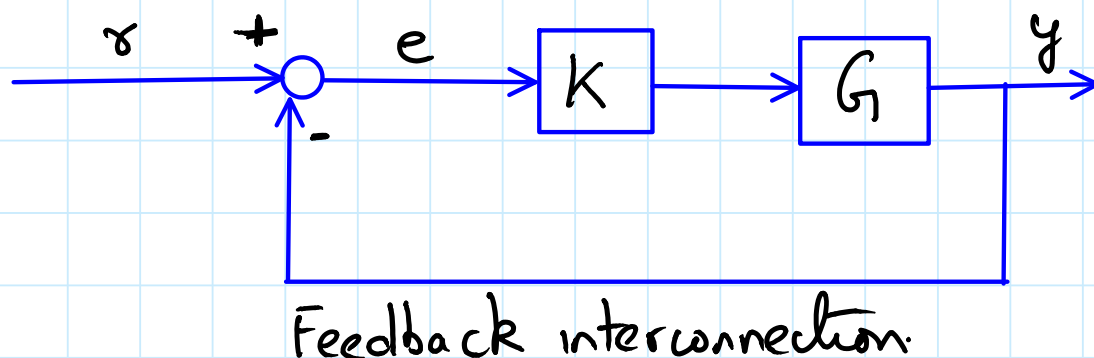


Figure 2: Bode-plot for Problem 2

Consider the bode plot of a minimum-phase transfer function  $G(s)$  (the bode plot shows in the magnitude plot  $20 \log_{10} |G(j\omega)|$  in db on the Y axis).

1. [3pts] Draw the asymptotes on the bode plot. Use the asymptotes to determine the transfer function  $G(s)$ .
2. [3pts] (a) Determine the gain-crossover frequency ( $\omega_{gc}$ ) and the phase-crossover frequency ( $\omega_{180}$ ). (b) Determine the phase and gain margin.
3. [3pts] Suppose the plant  $G$  is in a unity negative feedback interconnection with a controller  $K$  (see Figure 1). With the controller  $K = k_p$  a positive real constant, find the smallest value of  $k_p$  such that the interconnection shown is unstable. (Hint: Use the gain margin to obtain the result).
4. [3pts] With  $K = 1$  determine the steady state error due to a step input for the interconnection shown. Also, determine the steady state error due to a ramp input.
5. [3pts] Design a Proportional Integral (PI) controller,  $K = k_p + \frac{k_I}{s}$ , to increase the type with specifications (i) the gain crossover frequency has to be 100 rad/sec (ii) the phase margin has to be at least 40 degrees.

## Problem 2



### Solution 1.

Solution: The breakpoint frequencies are shown on the bode-plot (next page).

They are at. 1rad/sec, 100 rad/sec and 10000rad/sec. All are poles

Thus, the transfer function is of the form

$$G(s) = \frac{A}{(s+1)(s+100)(s+10,000)}.$$

$$\Rightarrow G(0) = \frac{A}{10^2 \cdot 10^4} = \frac{A}{10^6}$$

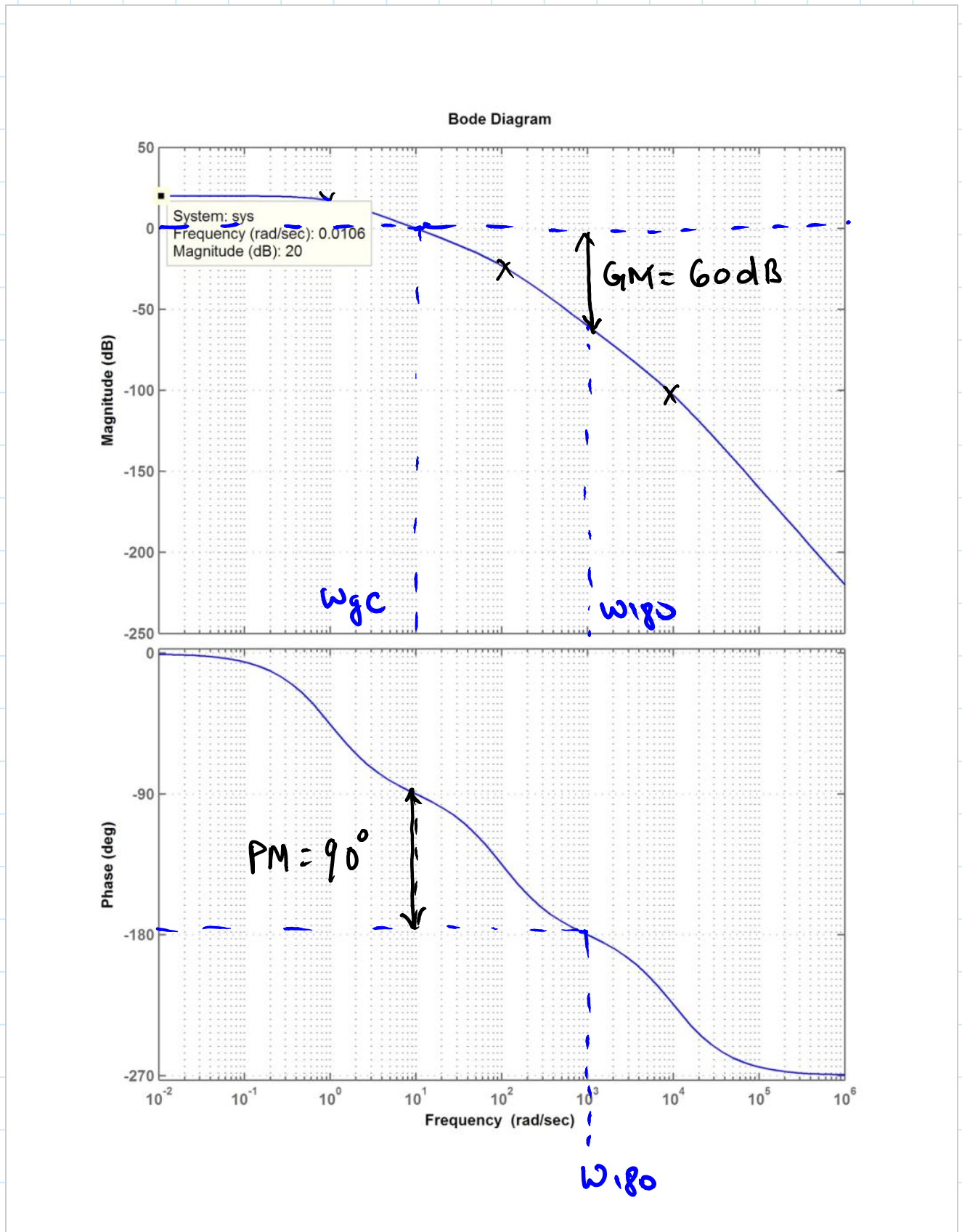
but from the Bode plot  $20 \lg_{10} |G(0)| = 20$   
 $\Rightarrow |G(0)| = 10$

Note that  $\angle G(0) = 0 \therefore A$  is a positive constant and  $\frac{A}{10^6} = 10 \Rightarrow A = 10^7$

$$\therefore G(s) = \frac{10^7}{(s+1)(s+100)(s+10000)} = \frac{10}{(s+1)\left(\frac{s}{100}+1\right)\left(\frac{s}{10^4}+1\right)}$$

is the transfer function

Consider the bode plot of a plant G as given below



## Solution 2

Solution 2.

Solution:  $\omega_{gc}$  is the frequency at which

$$|G(j\omega_{gc})| = 1 \quad \text{or}$$

$$20 \log_{10} |G(j\omega_{gc})| = 0 \text{ dB}$$

From the Bode plot

$$\omega_{gc} = 10 \text{ rad/sec}$$

Similarly the phase crossover  $\omega_{180}$  is the frequency where

$$\angle G(j\omega_{180}) = -180$$

and this occurs at  $\omega_{180} = 1000 \text{ rad/sec}$

Determine the phase margin and the gain margin

Solution: The Gain margin is given by

$$GM = -20 \log_{10} |G(j\omega_{180})|$$

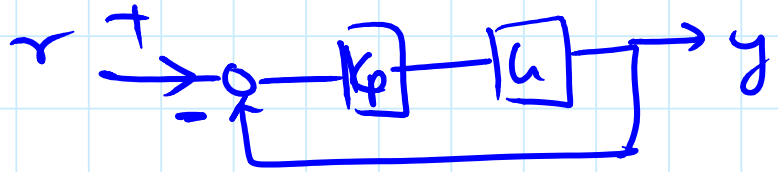
$$= 60 \text{ dB}$$

$$PM = 180 + \angle G(j\omega_{gc})$$

$$= 180 - 90 = 90 \text{ degrees}$$

[ See Bode plot Earlier ].

### Solution 3.



3. With the controller  $K=k_p$  a positive real constant, find the smallest value of  $k_p$  such that the interconnection shown is unstable. Use the gain margin to obtain the result.

Solution :

The value of  $K_p$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} 20 \log_{10} k_p &= \text{GM} \\ &= 60 \text{ dB.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \log_{10} k_p = \frac{60}{20} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow k_p = 10^3 = 1000.$$

Thus, the smallest value of  $k_p$  that will destabilized the feedback interconnection is 1000.

## Solution to 4.

- With  $K=1$ , determine the steady state error due to a step input for the interconnection shown. Also, determine the steady state error due to a ramp input. Determine the type of the system.



In this case transfer function from

$$r \text{ to } e \text{ is } \frac{1}{1+GK} = \frac{1}{1+L}$$

and steady state error due to step is

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s e(s) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \left( \frac{1}{1+L} \right) \frac{1}{s}$$

$$= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{1+L}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+k_p}; \quad k_p = L(0)$$

$L(0) = G(0)$  is such that

$$20 \lg |G(0)| = 20 \text{ dB} \Rightarrow G(0) = 10$$

and therefore  $e_{ss} = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2} \approx 0.5$



When  $r$  is a ramp  $e(s) = \left(\frac{1}{1+L}\right) \frac{1}{s^2}$

and

ess due to ramp =

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s e(s) \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{s}{(1+L)} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} \\ &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s+L} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{k_v};$$

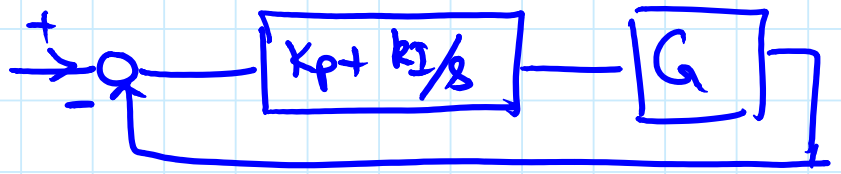
$$k_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s L(s). \text{ As } k=1; L=G$$

$$\text{and } k_v = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s G(s) = 0$$

$\therefore$  ess due to ramp =  $\infty$ .

The system is Type 0; it does not track steps with zero steady state error.

### Solution 5.



Design a Proportional Integral (PI) controller,  $K$ , to increase the type. Additional specification is that the gain crossover frequency has to be 100 rad/sec and to have a PM of 40 degrees.

Solution: The PI controller is

$$K(s) = k_p + \frac{k_I}{s} = \frac{k_I}{s} \left[ \frac{k_p s + 1}{k_I} \right]$$
$$= \frac{k_I}{s} \left[ \frac{s}{\frac{k_I}{k_p}} + 1 \right]$$

which has a break frequency at  $\frac{k_I}{k_p}$ .

→  $G(s)$  has a phase of  $-135^\circ$  at  $\omega_{gcd} = 100 \text{ rad/sec}$

→ Thus,  $PM_{\text{have}} = 180 - 135 = 45^\circ$

↓ — safety margin.

$PM_{\text{desired}} = 40 + 5$  also, thus, controller  $K(s)$  cannot decrease the phase any further.

Thus, we choose  $\frac{k_I}{k_p} \leq \frac{\omega_{gcd}}{10} = \frac{100}{10}$   
 $= 10$

Let's fix  $\frac{k_I}{k_p} = 10$ .

We also need to shift the gain crossover to  $100 \text{ rad/sec} = \omega_{gc}$

$$\therefore |L(j\omega_{gc})| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \left( k_p + \frac{k_I}{s} \right) G(s) \right| = 1 \text{ at } s = j\omega_{gc}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| k_p \left( 1 + \frac{k_I}{k_p} \frac{1}{j\omega_{gc}} \right) \right| |G(j\omega_{gc})| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| k_p \left( 1 - \left( \frac{k_I}{k_p} \frac{1}{100} \right) j \right) \right| |G(j\omega_{gc})| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_p \left| 1 - j \frac{1}{10} \right| |G(j\omega_{gc})| = 1$$

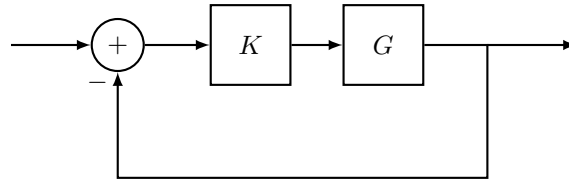
$$\Rightarrow k_p \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{100}} |G(j \cdot 100)| = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k_p = \frac{1}{|G(j \cdot 100)|} = \frac{1}{0.0741} = 13.5$$

$$\Rightarrow k_I = \frac{k_I}{k_p} \cdot k_p = 10 \cdot (13.5) = 135$$

$$\therefore K(s) = 13.5 + \frac{135}{s}$$

**Q3** [11pts]



Consider the unity gain loop depicted above, with open loop transfer function given by  $KG(s) = K \frac{s+1}{s(s-1)}$ . Let  $K = k$  be a constant gain. Find the range of  $k$  that give phase margins of at least  $30^\circ$ .

**Solution:** The closed-loop poles are given by the roots of the polynomial  $f(s) = s^2 + (k-1)s + k$ . It follows that the system is stable if and only if  $k > 1$ .

To find the phase margin, note that gain cross-over frequency is given by  $\omega_{gc} = k$ , since

$$|kG(j\omega_{gc})| = k \frac{|j\omega_{gc} + 1|}{|j\omega_{gc}| \cdot |j\omega_{gc} - 1|} = \frac{k}{\omega_{gc}} = 1.$$

Furthermore, the phase of  $G(j\omega)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \angle G(j\omega) &= \angle(j\omega + 1) - 90^\circ - \angle(j\omega - 1) \\ &= \angle(j\omega + 1) - 90^\circ - (180^\circ - \angle(j\omega + 1)) \\ &= 2 \tan^{-1}(\omega) - 270^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the phase margin is given by

$$\varphi_{PM} = 2 \tan^{-1}(k) - 90^\circ.$$

Thus  $\varphi_{PM} \geq 30^\circ$  if and only if  $\tan^{-1}(k) \geq (90^\circ + 30^\circ)/2 = 60^\circ$ , which holds if and only if  $k \geq \sqrt{3}$ .